

County of Cook, Illinois



Substantial Amendment to the 2015 Annual Action Plan

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SUMMARY

*The Cook County Department of Planning and Development within the Bureau of Economic Development (the “County”) currently receives Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) funding on an annual entitlement basis from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). The County proposes revisions to the CDBG-funded and ESG-funded activities to better meet community development needs in suburban Cook County. This requires a Substantial Amendment to the 2015 Annual Action Plan. This document, consisting of a narrative as well as required attachments, constitutes the formal Substantial Amendment to HUD. **Each of these amendments will further advance the County’s ongoing efforts to expend its CDBG and ESG funds expeditiously and complete projects in a timely fashion.***

SUBSTANTIAL AMENDMENT NARRATIVE

The 2015 Annual Action Plan is to be amended as indicated below.

Proposed Amendment 1

Initial CDBG Funding Program Year	2015
IDIS Activity Number	N/A
CDBG Project Number	1504-093
CDBG Funding Recipient	Lawndale Business Renaissance Association (LBRA)
Project Type	Public Service
Project Scope	Connecting west suburban residents to job opportunities
Initial CDBG Funding Committed	\$0
Proposed Change	Adding this project the Program Year (PY) 2015 set of projects in the amount of \$35,250
Additional Comments	LBRA received a CDBG grant in PY 2014 for the first time. Due to performance concerns, an award was not recommended initially during the PY 2015 award cycle. However, based on progress made by the end of PY 2014, Cook County has decided to continue its support of LBRA.

Proposed Amendment 2

Initial ESG Funding Program Year	2015
IDIS Activity Number	N/A
ESG Project Number	E15-10
ESG Funding Recipient	Options for Housing
Project Type	Homeless Prevention
Project Scope	Expand the Homeless Services Call Center for Suburban Cook County
Initial ESG Funding Committed	\$20,000
Proposed Change	Add \$100,115.20 to this project to allow for expansion of the call center hours to 9am-5pm Monday through Friday (currently 10am-2pm), and staff the call center with a coordinator and dedicated call specialists.
Additional Comments	N/A

Proposed Amendment 3

Initial ESG Funding Program Year	2015
IDIS Activity Number	N/A
ESG Project Number	E15-03
ESG Funding Recipient	BEDS Plus Care, Inc.
Project Type	Homeless Prevention
Project Scope	Accept case management referrals and coordinate with the expanded call center on its new processes
Initial ESG Funding Committed	\$38,000
Proposed Change	Add \$8,000 to this project to support the scope identified above
Additional Comments	N/A

Proposed Amendment 4

Initial ESG Funding Program Year	2015
IDIS Activity Number	N/A
ESG Project Number	E15-19
ESG Funding Recipient	Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of Chicago
Project Type	Homeless Prevention
Project Scope	Accept case management referrals and coordinate with the expanded call center on its new processes
Initial ESG Funding Committed	\$0
Proposed Change	Adding this project the Program Year (PY) 2015 set of projects in the amount of \$16,000 to support the scope identified above
Additional Comments	N/A

Proposed Amendment 5

Initial ESG Funding Program Year	2015
IDIS Activity Number	N/A
ESG Project Number	E15-06
ESG Funding Recipient	Connections for the Homeless
Project Type	Homeless Prevention
Project Scope	Accept case management referrals and coordinate with the expanded call center on its new processes
Initial ESG Funding Committed	\$13,000
Proposed Change	Add \$8,000 to this project to support the scope identified above
Additional Comments	N/A

Proposed Amendment 6

Initial ESG Funding Program Year	2015
IDIS Activity Number	N/A
ESG Project Number	E15-08
ESG Funding Recipient	Ford Heights Community Service Organization
Project Type	Homeless Prevention
Project Scope	Accept case management referrals and coordinate with the expanded call center on its new processes
Initial ESG Funding Committed	\$18,000
Proposed Change	Add \$13,000 to this project to support the scope identified above
Additional Comments	N/A

Proposed Amendment 7

Initial ESG Funding Program Year	2015
IDIS Activity Number	N/A
ESG Project Number	E15-09
ESG Funding Recipient	Housing Forward
Project Type	Homeless Prevention
Project Scope	Accept case management referrals and coordinate with the expanded call center on its new processes
Initial ESG Funding Committed	\$92,000
Proposed Change	Add \$8,000 to this project to support the scope identified above
Additional Comments	N/A

Proposed Amendment 8

Initial ESG Funding Program Year	2015
IDIS Activity Number	N/A
ESG Project Number	E15-20
ESG Funding Recipient	Northwest Compass
Project Type	Homeless Prevention
Project Scope	Accept case management referrals and coordinate with the expanded call center on its new processes
Initial ESG Funding Committed	\$0
Proposed Change	Adding this project the Program Year (PY) 2015 set of projects in the amount of \$8,000 to support the scope identified above
Additional Comments	N/A

Proposed Amendment 9

Initial ESG Funding Program Year	2015
IDIS Activity Number	N/A
ESG Project Number	E15-14
ESG Funding Recipient	Respond Now
Project Type	Homeless Prevention
Project Scope	Accept case management referrals and coordinate with the expanded call center on its new processes
Initial ESG Funding Committed	\$30,000
Proposed Change	Add \$13,000 to this project to support the scope identified above
Additional Comments	N/A

Proposed Amendment 10

Initial ESG Funding Program Year	2015
IDIS Activity Number	N/A
ESG Project Number	E15-16
ESG Funding Recipient	South Suburban PADS
Project Type	Homeless Prevention
Project Scope	Accept case management referrals and coordinate with the expanded call center on its new processes
Initial ESG Funding Committed	\$82,000
Proposed Change	Add \$13,000 to this project to support the scope identified above
Additional Comments	N/A

Proposed Amendment 11

Initial ESG Funding Program Year	2015
IDIS Activity Number	N/A
ESG Project Number	E15-21
ESG Funding Recipient	Together We Cope
Project Type	Homeless Prevention
Project Scope	Accept case management referrals and coordinate with the expanded call center on its new processes
Initial ESG Funding Committed	\$0
Proposed Change	Adding this project the Program Year (PY) 2015 set of projects in the amount of \$13,000 to support the scope identified above
Additional Comments	N/A

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See attached.

Public Comments and Cook County Responses

To be inserted upon conclusion of the HUD-required thirty (30) day public comment period.

Economic Development Advisory Council (EDAC) Approval

To be inserted upon conclusion of related approval.